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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: N/A.

Identification of prior art discussed: N/A.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The office action mailed on 10/31/2003 is vacated because the preliminary amendment filed on 10/15/2003 was not considered. Applicant's faxed a courtesy copy of the preliminary amendment to the examiner on 11/12/2003. A new office action is forthcoming.

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